

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1) An improved process for manufacture and assembly of a plurality of adjoining printed wiring boards, comprising:
 - (a) forming at least a first circuit pattern and a second circuit pattern on a common substrate;
 - (b) connecting at least the first circuit pattern to the second circuit pattern; and
 - (c) separating the common substrate into at least a first substrate and a second substrate with the first substrate including the first circuit pattern thereon and the second substrate including the second circuit pattern thereon.
- 2) The process of **claim 1**, further comprising the step of scoring the common substrate along a dividing line.
- 3) The process of **claim 1**, further comprising the step holding the separated substrates in fixed position relative to each other by a holding fixture.
- 4) The process of **claim 1**, further comprising the step of testing the connection between the first and second circuit patterns prior to the step of separating the common substrate into separate substrates.
- 5) The process of **claim 1**, wherein the step of separating occurs after the step of connecting.
- 6) The process of **claim 3**, wherein the step of connecting occurs after the step of separating.

14) The process of **claim 3**, wherein the step of holding further comprises using a holding fixture for holding at least one of the separated substrates at a non-planar angle in respect to another separated substrate.

15) The process of **claim 3**, wherein the step of holding further comprises holding at least one of the separated substrates in proximity to a frame member of an assembly that includes at least one of the separated substrates.

16) The process of **claim 15**, wherein one separated substrate is held in proximity to one frame member and at least another separated substrate is held in proximity to a second frame member.

17) The process of **claim 15**, wherein the frame member is a sidewall of a cabinet for housing the assembly that contains at least one of the separated substrates.

18) The process of **claim 2**, wherein the step of scoring comprises forming a groove in the common substrate, said groove having sides angled at less than 60 degrees.

19) The process of **claim 1**, wherein the step of separating further comprises using an edged tool placed in contact with the common substrate along a dividing line.

20) The process of **claim 3**, wherein the step of connecting further comprises making at least one connection that is external from the holding fixture.